

## REMARKS

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action dated January 11, 2007. The specification has been amended to update the cross references to commonly owned co-pending U.S. Patent applications. No amendments have been made to the claims.

A Terminal Disclaimer and a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement are submitted herewith. Please charge deposit account number 02-1818 for any fees which are due and owing in connection with this Response, this Terminal Disclaimer and this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

The Examiner has not indicated that he has considered the references cited in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement dated December 30, 2005 (and received by the USPTO on January 3, 2006). Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider these references in connection with the present patent application.

The Office Action rejected Claims 1 to 87 on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1 to 23 of U.S. Patent No. 6,731,313. Applicants have submitted a Terminal Disclaimer to overcome these rejections over U.S. Patent No. 6,731,313. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1 to 87 are now in condition for allowance.

An earnest endeavor has been made to place this application in condition for formal allowance and in the absence of more pertinent art such action is courteously solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Response, Applicants respectfully requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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